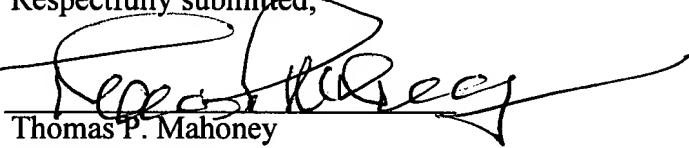


Regarding the September 23, 1998 Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review that was submitted with the January 5, 1999 Office Action, Applicant advises that formal drawings were submitted to the Drawing Review Branch on November 2, 1998. Applicant believes those drawings comply with the corrections requested in the Notice.

In view of the amendment of the specification, claims, abstract, and drawings to comply with the examiner's requirements, it is thought that the application is now in condition for allowance, notice whereof is respectfully requested of the examiner in his next action.

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